

TWO HUNDRED ARE ON BATTLE SCENE FOR STATE TITLE

Opening Clashes in the Intercollegiate Basketball Tournament to Be Staged Tonight.

EIGHTEEN TEAMS TO COMPETE

Augustana Quintet Has First Clash Tomorrow With Macomb—Alcedians Loom Strong in Dope.

Bloomington, Ill., March 1.—The sixth annual intercollegiate basketball tournament of the "little eighteen" opens here tonight. Eighteen teams representing as many colleges will compete and over two hundred athletes and coaches are here for the event. Wesleyan, Millikin and William and Vashti loom up as probable contenders for the championship. Tonight's schedule follows: Blackburn vs. Millikin; Charleston Normal vs. Lombard; Illinois college vs. Wesleyan; Carbondale Normal vs. Carthage.

The Augustana college basketball team departed today for Bloomington to take part in sixth annual intercollegiate tournament. Augustana will play its first game tomorrow morning, meeting the Normal team of Macomb. Augustana fears little from its first opponent, Macomb Normal, having defeated the Macomb team twice during the past season. Bradley, it is admitted, will have something soft in McKendree, and then Augustana and Bradley will mix. Dope again favors the locals, for already Bradley has met defeat twice at the hands of the Lutherans. Illinois college has been defeated by Wesleyan, who will undoubtedly repeat the performance at the state meet. Of the three teams Normal university, Carbondale Normal and Carthage, the Normal university five looks the best, and that team has taken the count from both Augustana and Wesleyan, so it appears that in the third game the locals will meet one of the hardest nuts of the tourney to crack. Whether defeated or victorious in this strenuous tilt the locals will be in the semi-finals, for without a doubt, Augie can win from any other team in class B. A loss to Wesleyan, however, means another game to be played, which would count much in the final games.

Millikin or William and Vashti are hoped to win the major and minor series in class A, and that would leave Augustana or Wesleyan to meet these two in the semi-finals. There the dopest quits. All four are fast teams with enviable records. Which one will win cannot be figured in dope. The



strain of the long series will play a great part in the final reckoning, and losing to Wesleyan would mean a great loss to Augustana, in that it would mean one more game, so much more spent energy, when endurance and strength might mean the title.

Nine Men Go.

Conrad, the man who has made Augustana's name in athletics, has groomed his lads to the pink. The injury of Bergh in the game with Bradley last Saturday evening will be a hindrance, but the stalwart guard may be relied upon. Sammy's hand, while not better, is improved, though it is a weak spot. The other men are in good shape. Captain Swedberg will lead the squad and in experience Augie's representatives are second to none. Six out of the nine men have stood the racking strain of an intercollegiate tourney before and the others are men who have played fast interscholastic ball. Swedberg, Samuelson, Reeves, Bergh, E. Johnson, F. Johnson, Gleason, Carlson and Blomberg are the men who are going to do the work for Augustana.

They are the men who have played the most during the past season, and they are the players who have run up nearly 600 points against their opponents in 14 games. The record for the season is:

Dec. 11—Augustana, 44; Davenport V. Maroons, 16.
Jan. 8—Augustana, 36; Bradley, 21.
Jan. 13—Augustana, 54; Carthage, 7.
Jan. 14—Augustana, 67; Macomb Normal, 23.
Jan. 15—Augustana, 41; Hedding, 31.
Jan. 22—William and Vashti, 50; Augustana, 36.
Jan. 29—Augustana, 46; Hedding, 29.
Feb. 5—Augustana, 33; Normal university, 25.
Feb. 9—William and Vashti, 23; Augustana, 18.
Feb. 12—Augustana, 58; Carthage, 12.
Feb. 16—Augustana, 35; Eureka, 26.
Feb. 19—Augustana, 73; Macomb Normal, 15.
Feb. 25—Augustana, 36; Eureka, 19.
Feb. 26—Augustana, 21; Bradley, 19.
Total—Augustana, 598; opponents, 316.

ROGER'S DEMAND NOT ACCEPTABLE

Bresnahan Holds Conference With Weeghman, but Two Are Unable to Reach an Agreement.

Chicago, March 1.—Roger Bresnahan, ex-manager, is still a member of the Cubs, and, unless he compromises with Owner Weeghman, he will continue to be on the roster of the North Side club for the next two years.

Living up to the preliminary schedule, heralded with flashy press notices, Bresnahan walked into Weeghman's office yesterday morning accompanied by his attorney from Toledo and presented his terms of peace. A meeting of the league committee could not have been more solemn, for the make-up of the American association, as well as the future of one of America's best catchers, was at stake.

It did not take the principals long

to finish their arguments. Five minutes after Bresnahan and his lawyer walked into Weeghman's private office they appeared again with the announcement that no definite agreement had been reached. Then Weeghman came out and said the case stood as it did a month ago, as far as he was concerned, and would continue to be so as long as Roger refused to compromise.

SAYS WILLARD IS MUCH TOO HEAVY

Sport Writer on New York Globe Opines Jess Is Much Fatter Than in His Go With Johnson.

New York, March 1.—Walter St. Denis, sporting editor of the Globe, who saw Willard defeat Jack Johnson, in an article last night says Willard is not the finely conditioned athlete he was when he sent the negro champion to the floor at Havana. The writer says that in the next four weeks he may be able to acquire the fine condition he was in when he showed in the Cuban ring, and he will have to if he is going to beat Moran.

In a nutshell, the writer's opinion is that Jess Willard is not in nearly as good shape right now as he was for Johnson two weeks before that memorable meeting. He needs every minute of the remaining training period to get in condition to withstand the attack of the challenger.

Continuing, he says: "Willard is fat and his wind is not the best. His stomach protrudes, which is a condition different to the appearance he presented when he boxed Johnson. Flesh hangs over his hips, and generally he looks soft as mush. There can be no denying the fact that he is a big, strong, husky fellow. Who, weighing an admitted 265 stripped, is not such a person?"

"That Willard has improved in his boxing since he was last seen in action in New York there must be no doubt. The veriest novice improves after he has been in the game for any length of time. It is but natural that Willard should get better; but he was not the shifty, fast-stepping fighter today that some folks said he was on Saturday. Maybe he was just a bit muscle sore from his first day's work."

INDIANAPOLIS NOW AFTER STECHER GO

Indianapolis, March 1.—Within the next few days an effort will be made to place Indianapolis in the running as a city in which to stage the much-discussed Gotch-Stecher wrestling match for the world's championship. Charles M. Olson, a former wrestling champion himself, will make a bid of \$35,000 for the match, to be held in the Hoosier capital city.

Olson returned from New York, where he discussed the matter with Jack Curley and Curley assured Olson that an offer from Indianapolis would be given consideration. The excellent railroad facilities from all points make this city a desirable one, as it is expected the bout will draw thousands of wrestling fans and sport followers from all parts of the country.

MILBURN SAYLOR TO RECOVER, SAY DOCS

Indianapolis, Ind., March 1.—Milburn Saylor, the lightweight boxer, who has been critically ill with pneumonia at his home here, passed through the crisis of the attack yesterday and last night was slowly improving. Physicians said the boxer probably will recover.

Illinois Out of Running. Chicago, March 1.—Northwestern's basketball quintet gave Illinois another jolt at Patten gymnasium, Evanston, last night and practically put the downstagers out of the conference race by winning, 25 to 16.

ROCK ISLAND IS AFTER RACE DATE

County Fair Association Seeks Admission to Central Illinois Trotting Association.

Kewanee, Ill., March 1.—At a meeting of the Central Illinois Trotting and Pacing association here yesterday Theodore Boltenstern of Cambridge was reelected president and Charles L. Trimble of Princeton, secretary and treasurer.

The following dates were announced: Cambridge, Aug. 25-28. Wyoming, Aug. 22-25. Princeton, Aug. 29-Sept. 1. Kewanee, Sept. 5-8.

Aledo, Sept. 12-15. Knoxville, Sept. 19-22. The Rock Island County Fair association is seeking admittance to the circuit, but unless it can arrange dates before or after meets in cities now in the circuit its application will not be granted.

BILL HOKUFF WILL NOT APPEAR IN GO

Complexion of the wrestling card to be staged at the Family theatre in Moline Friday night under auspices of the Olympic Athletic club, is changed entirely today. Last week it read—Westergaard vs. Hokuff. Today it reads—Earl Caddock vs. Frank Hart. Hokuff, who was in Moline yesterday gave his reasons for crawling out of the match with Caddock, who had been substituted for Westergaard. He stated that he had a match with Joe Stecher, of scissor's fame, in the spring, and if he lost to Caddock there would be too much at stake. In a preliminary "Fat" Smith of Rock Island will meet "Pete Sox" Peterson of Moline in an eight round boxing exhibition.

BENNIE KAUFF MUST HAVE HIS \$10,000

New York, March 1.—Bennie Kauff, the battling leader of the Federals, for whose release the Giants paid \$35,000 to Harry F. Sinclair, reiterated yesterday that he would not play with the Giants until he receives \$5,000 each from the Giants and Sinclair.

"I will not obey McGraw's orders to leave here on Friday," said Kauff. "I am in splendid shape and I want to play ball, but I will not allow these people to make a fool of me. Unless I get all this money I will not play ball and the New York club will lose the \$35,000 paid to Mr. Sinclair for my release."

Cobb Is Now King Pin.

Boston, March 1.—Tyron Raymond Cobb is the highest salaried baseball player in the game. With the cut in the salary of Tris Speaker by President Lannin of the Red Sox the annual sum of \$15,000 paid to Cobb is larger by \$2,500 than the amount paid any other player.

Walter Johnson, the Washington pitcher, ranks next to Cobb, with an annual income from baseball of \$12,500.

Looks Like Frame-up.

St. Paul, March 1.—Jimmy Pappas and Len Rowlands, principals in tonight's fight card, took a long walk, arm in arm, yesterday afternoon to taper off their training.

Burlington Bowler Rolls 300.

Burlington, Iowa, March 1.—For the second time within a month, Ralph Wiemann, a local bowler, yesterday afternoon rolled a perfect score in tournament competition here. His second record was not made on the same alley as his first. He hung up 12 straight strikes and totaled 1,384 pins for the six games he bowled during the day.

All the news all the time—The Argus.

MOSENFELDER PIN CREW TIED WITH FLYNN FOR LEAD

Three Straight Are Taken From the Ullemeyers in Engagements at the Island City Alleys.

HAEGES ANNEX COUPLE OF WINS

Bescos Drop a Pair to the M. & K. Team—Davenport and Mason Display Champion Form.

Merchants' Standing.
P. W. L. Pct.
Flynn 59 29 39 56
M. & S. 59 29 39 56
Ullemeyers 58 31 27 51
Haeges 55 34 21 50
Bescos 53 36 17 47
M. & K. 52 45 7 44

As result of a triple win the Mosenfelder & Sons' team in the Island City Merchants' Bowling league last night passed the Ullemeyers and is now tied with the Flynn Mercantile five for first place in the league standing. The winners shot in improved form, totaling nearly 2600 pins in three games. Ted Davenport led both teams with a 589 count and won the Beardsley cup for the week. Mosenfelder & Sons presented members of the team with silk shirts for their good work.

At Hastings alleys the Haeges were on their mettle, taking two from the Flynn five, losing the second game when they slumped temporarily. The Flynn crew displayed poor form. Mason did stellar work for the Haeges, rolling 584 in three games. In a closely contested but listless series for the Harms alleys the M. & K. team took two of the Bescos. The players on both teams were unable to locate the pocket and low scores resulted. The scores:

At Island City Alleys.

M. & S.
Strayer 179 161 157 497
Abrahamson 175 136 192 503
R. Salzman 158 196 138 492
B. Benson 169 165 165 500
Davenport 199 192 198 598

Totals 880 854 850 2584

ULLEMEYERS.

G. Abrahamson 137 161 151 450
Melow 172 169 160 501
Madden 164 144 218 526
Danielson 180 125 149 454
Bredar 180 110 147 437

Totals 833 709 825 2367

At Hastings Alleys.

HAEGES.

Starofski 157 137 126 420
Skinner 155 122 180 457
Kitty 218 159 135 512
Ellis 165 149 188 502
Mason 203 182 199 594

Totals 898 749 828 2475

FLYNN.

Normoyle 166 190 171 527
Finkelstein 104 140 120 364
Shafer 142 176 136 454
Johnson 164 129 182 475
Nuessli 196 169 150 515

Totals 772 804 759 2335

At Harms Alleys.

M. & K.

Lanaghan 144 131 135 410
Wich 132 155 159 446
Huber 146 169 152 467
Kitty 137 159 160 456
Wagner 129 148 149 426

Totals 688 762 755 2205

BESCOS.

McNeil 141 153 151 445
Paulsen 153 163 141 457
Gadient 155 142 124 421
Kitty 131 121 142 394
Schaller 145 158 141 444

Totals 730 737 729 2196

RALPH GREENLEAF IN WIN OVER CHAMPION

Ralph Greenleaf of Monmouth, the 16-year-old boy pool wonder, defeated Benny Allen of Kansas City, present holder of the world's championship title, 100 to 70, in his first game at the national pocket billiard tournament Monday night in Chicago. It is enough to say that it was a great victory, the greatest Ralph has ever won. A party of some twenty Monmouth people saw the youngster win the match.

DISQUALIFIED TANK EXPERT TO COMPETE

Chicago, March 1.—Pavlicek, captain of the University of Chicago swimming team, will compete tonight in the contest between the Chicago and University of Illinois swimming teams, despite the fact that he yesterday received notice of his disqualification as an amateur by the Central A. A. U. His standing is unclouded, according to conference rules and no protest is expected from Illinois.

Pavlicek, together with three other amateur swimmers, has been adjudged a professional by the Central A. A. U. because he worked last year as a life guard at a local bathing beach, thereby earning money through his prowess as a swimmer.

Welsh Objects to Stout.

Milwaukee, March 1.—Freddie Welsh wants to name the referee in his 10-round bout here with Ad Wolgast Monday night. Welsh wants Houlahan and objects to Harry Stout, the pride of the boulevard, who wants Stout, claiming that the hard of Tippecanoe, being a friend of the champion's, might favor him if he had to make a ruling of some sort.

It is almost certain, however, that in case of a squabble over the man in the ring, the state boxing commission will step in and name the biter.



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